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SUBJECT: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DEBATE ON SOVIET BERLIN POLICY

1. AT INSTIGATION OF CDU CAUCUS, BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HELD GENERAL DEBATE ON SOVIET ACTIVITIES IN AND TOWARDS BERLIN IN COURSE OF REGULAR OCT 23 SESSION. AMONG VARIOUS ITEMS RAISED AND DISCUSSED WERE VYATKIN ESPIONAGE CASE, CANCELLATION OF SOVIET MAYORS' VISIT, NEW SOVIET-GDR FRIENDSHIP TREATY, DIFFICULTIES OVER INCLUSION OF BERLIN IN AGREEMENTS CURRENTLY UNDER NEGOTIATION BETWEEN FRG AND USSR, AND PROBLEMS BEING ENCOUNTERED IN INCORPORATION OF BERLIN IN EAST-WEST POWER NETWORK. SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF CDU OPPOSITION, CAUCUS LEADER LUMMER DECLARED THAT SOVIET UNION HAD UNDERTAKEN PURPOSEFUL CAMPAIGN "TO DISPUTE AND CURTAIL" FRG'S TIES WITH BERLIN AS WELL AS ITS RIGHT TO REPRESENT BERLIN'S INTERESTS ABROAD. TO THIS END, SOVIETS

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WERE "CONSCIOUSLY" MISINTERPRETING QA. LUMMER

DEMANDED THAT WEST UNDERTAKE DETERMINED COUNTER-OFFENSIVE TO RECENT "CHILLING" IN SOVIET ATTITUDE AND HE SUGGESTED THAT, IN ORDER TO PAY SOVIETS BACK IN OWN COIN, PRESIDENT SCHEEL GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO CANCELLING PLANNED NOVEMBER VISIT TO MOSCOW. NOT ONE TO SHUN PARTISAN OPITHET, LUMMER ACCUSED SENAT AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF DISPLAYING "OBSEQUIOUSNESS" TOWARDS SOVIET AIMS AND ACTIVITIES.

2. SPOKESMEN FOR SPD-FDP COALITION ACKNOWLEDGED THAT AT PRESENT "COLD WIND WAS BLOWING FROM THE EAST", YET THEY WARNED AGAINST REVERTING TO POLICY OF CONFRONTATION OF COLD WAR PERIOD. THEY ALSO INDIGNANTLY REJECTED LUMMER'S CHARGE OF OBSEQUIOUSNESS. MAYOR OXFORT, SPEAKING IN PLACE OF ABSENT GOVERNING MAYOR, ASSERTED THAT COLD WAR WAS NOT RATIONAL ALTERNATIVE TO POLICY OF DETENTE, EVEN IF CERTAIN DIFFICULTIES WERE CURRENTLY BEING EXPERIENCED IN RELATIONS WITH EAST. OXFORT STRESSED THAT SENAT HAD NO INTENTION OF IGNORING RECENT SOVIET ACTIONS AND THAT, IN AGREEMENT WITH BONN AND WITH ALLIES, "APPROPRIATE" COUNTERMEASURES AS BEFITTED BERLIN'S INTERESTS WOULD BE TAKEN. HE MENTIONED, IN THIS CONNECTION, WITHDRAWAL OF SUPORT FROM "SIBERIAN WEEKS."

3. SENATOR FOR FEDERAL AFFAIRS STOBBE ASSURED REPRESENTATIVES IN COURSE OF DEBATE THAT VYATKIN ESPIONAGE CASE HAD RECEIVED "NECESSARY ATTENTION" FROM THREE ALLIES. (COMMENT: THIS SHOULD HELP TO QUEIT ACCUSATIONS IN BERLINER MORGENPOST AND ELSEWHERE THAT ALLIES WERE NEGLIGENT IN THEIR REPONSIBILITIES AND EVEN HINDERED ACTIVITIES OF LFV.) STOBBE NOTED THAT CASE HAD ALSO BEEN DISCUSSED WITHIN "COMPETENT" PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES.

4. INCIDENTALLY, MORGENPOST SERIES ON VYATKIN AND DOUBLE AGENT REINHARD HAS COME UP WITH FEW IF ANY FRESH REVELATIONS IN COURSE OF PAST FEW DAYS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND PUBLIC INTEREST IN CASE APPEARS TO BE WANING.GEORGE

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